## YALSA Board of Directors Meeting ALA Annual Conference, New Orleans June 24 - 28, 2011

**Topic:** Liaison Guidelines

Background: The YALSA Handbook doesn't specify any guidelines or information

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- As needed assist Chairs with governance issues, such as interpreting how the work of the group supports the strategic plan
- Assist Chairs with submitting official Requests for Board Action (via the form available on the YALSA website), as needed
- Encourage chairs to introduce their Board Liaison via email to their group and to share this URL with their group: www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/boardandcommittees/committeechair.cfm

## Other

• Recognizes the work of the Chair and group members, including sending them thank you messages for National Volunteer Week (held annually in April)

## **Communications**

Note: Staff Liaisons must be careful not to usurp the authority of the appointed Chair.

**Proposed Action:** The board adopt the Liaison Guidelines, direct staff to incorporate them into the Handbook, and direct Board Liaisons to share the document with their Chairs.